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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2008 applicant makes the following
election in response to the Restriction Requirement.**REMARKS**

The Examiner has subjected this application to restriction under 35 U.S.C. 121. The Examiner has formed two groups of claims, the first, Group I for claims 1-4, drawn to a Ternary Metal Colloid and the second drawn, Group II for claims 5-19 drawn to a Process for Producing a Ternary Metal Colloid. The Examiner has asserted that these groups of claims represent distinct inventions and may properly be restricted. Applicants hereby